The House of Whispers

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possibilities of my caller's identity.

fault that I was locked up here.

trying to read my thoughts. I won-

Was he distressed to

his expression was unfathomable, so

"So-you didn't do it, did you?"

of Daisy Lutan as"-I hesitated-"as

He nedded his head approvingly.

heard since my incarceration.

since I have been away,"

lawyer.

"We'll soon have you out of here."

far as I was concerned. w

He was the first to speak.

smiling an inscrutable smile.

looks convincing."

you are.'

mind

Bradford wall safe had been looted, CHAPTER XI-Continued. cerning the annullment of Claire's ing to offer her." While I was debating the situation first marriage. He nodded his head in my cell, a keeper opened the door. "You're wanted downstairs," he an-

satisfy him.

both apartments. "What is it?" I asked, wonderingly. "Did you hear the whispers, too?" "You've got a visitor."
"Who?" I questioned eagerly. Could

"Yes." I answered. "I heard them to offer her-yet. it, I wondered, be Barbara? Had my several times. Barbara has beard sternly repressed longing to see her them, and the laundress, too." in some way communicated itself to A look of unspeakable relief came her through the ether and impelled

over his face her to throw caution to the winds and come to the prison to see me? "I don't know," the keeper answerman gets old his nerves sometimes ed. "It's a man. I don't know who seemed so unreal and incredible me smote as he departed. I tried to A man. Who could it be? In all that I feared that I was suffering from think of something to say to express the monotonous time I had been behind the bars, only two men had come that I know that the whispers are real,

to see me, Gorman and McGregor. It there is nothing to fear." could not be either of them, for both were well known to the prison attendalmost positive, I can explain the ants. As I hastened down the long

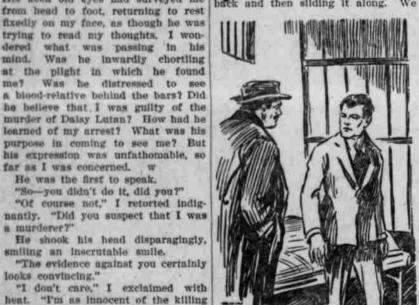
ny second meeting with Barbara

origin of the whispers." corridor past the dismal row of barred "Tell me," he cried, his manner now doors, I was revolving in my mind the entirely changed. He seemed elated Who could it be? Spurred on by my curiosity, I hastened into the counsuddenly been lifted from him.

sel room. There sat my great-uncle had utterly refused to credit my story He looked in much better physical of a secret passage and had ridiculed condition than when I had last seen It. There had been no way that I him, more vigorous and healthier. His could prove it, nor was it possible for skin was browned from exposure to the sun and wind, and his eyes were clearer and brighter. As I studied his face I could trace no vestige there of my great-uncle it was different. As the prison to see me.

the terrible fear that had seemed to the occupant of the apartment he I met him jubilantly. My uncle's unobsess him on the last occasion of our For a moment we eved each other without speaking. I was wonderingand well I think I might-whether the suspicions I had at times in regard to him had been wholly without foundation. Could it be possible that the crafty, miserly old chap was the master mind at the bottom of all the mystery and plotting? As my previous suspicions came up in my mind I determined to be wary in what I said rooms in detail and nodded his ap- something had gone wrong. to him. The fires of anger toward him began to kindle within me as I

"And what is more," I added tri- matter now?" looked at him. I felt that it was his



"You're a Wonderful Liar, You Are," Was His Surly Greeting.

"There, there, boy, don't get excited. Of course I know you are innocent. You're of the Gaston blood, and there never was a Gaston that was a murderer or a lawbreaker. I never susgate, but I am sure the passage is Have you seen him?" pected you for a single second. I was off in the Maine woods twenty miles from a railroad. I didn't see a newspaper until day before yesterday evening. My eye just happened to catch a paragraph about the Granddeck. It was about your trial for the murder of Miss Lutan being set for next week. be surprised if it was not by means of opened it up and-" That was the first I had heard about this passageway that the murderer of it. I traveled all night to get to you." Miss Lutan escaped, after he had left at me. My feelings toward him underwent his revolver in the drawer of my a sudden revulsion. There was every dresser."

evidence of sincerity in his manner. My great-uncle shook his head per-The knowledge that he believed in me plexedly. was the most welcome news I had

modern apartment buildings with se- one." he went on, "now that I am here to eret passageways. Space is far too help you. I got you into this, and I'll get you out of it if it takes every to be filed with the city's bureau of cases!" cent I possess. There's more than

one fight left in old Rufus yet. Now "But it's there," I cried desperately. start at the very beginning and tell "I saw it. Barbara Bradford saw it." me everything that has happened "Well," he comforted me, "we will soon find out about it. I have many to say to that?" What a relief it was to talk freely! matters to attend to today, but tomor-With my mind once and for all clearrow I shall go up to the apartment, ed of all suspicion toward my old and if there is such a passageway I grent-uncle, I began my story. Someshall find it and see where it leads." how the tie of blood is strong in time "Then you are not staying in the

of trouble. I found it vastly easier apartment?" to talk with my aged relative than it "No, I shall remain at a hotel until

had been with either Gorman or my my wife returns." At this juncture a prison attendant I began with my chance meeting approached and informed him that the with Barbara Bradford in the park time of his visit was up. Imperiously as the blackmailers awaited her there. my great-uncle waved the man away. I told everything that had followed Somehow the possession of great with the utmost detail, even to such wealth carries with it a manner of exwith the utmost detail, even to such small matters as my first meeting pecting obedience from every one that were sately back and the undue curiosity generally is successful. The man was too much for me. ance with the Bradfords. I recited left us undisturbed,

the story of my unaccoutable dis-"Now tell me about the murder." charge in disgrace from my position Mr. Gaston directed. Concisely I stated the facts as I and told of Gorman's unavailing efknew them. It was a shock to him to

of sending it to m; mother to whom I criminal class. was in debt. I still had it with me

given me the combination. Out of Fil call up Mr. Kent, the owner of the ing place. No, I decided, that themere curiosity"-I made this confes- building, this afternoon and have him ory was too preposterous and absurd sion with a blush of shame—"I had in- get rid of them at once." spected the contents of the safe the day of my arrival and had examined and I are both convinced that Wick I must also have restored them to the

the two caskets. The minute I opened and the girl know something about the safe again in my sleep. It was far Austrians, Not Unreasonably, Object the safe this second time I saw that it murder. Don't do anything to let more likely that the thief, becoming them know that they are under sus- alarmed over the publicity brought to "What," exclaimed my great-uncle, picion. So long as they are employed the Granddeck by the murder, had starting from his seat, "not the at the Granddeck we know where to been afraid to attempt to dispose of lay hands on them when we want gems so well-known as the Gaston

"That's so," he admitted. "Til say same mysterious way that he had abbe living there until after this is to Garman.

wife's pearls stolen! Why, boy, I paid But, look here, young man, why doesn't hundred and fifty thousand dollars this Bradford girl come forward and for that string. Tell me everything clear you of this charge? She was with you at the time. She knows you about it-everything, at once." I could only repent what I had told didn't do it."

"Because I will not permit her to do him aiready. When I had opened the safe on Sunday the pearls were there, so," I replied with heat. "I love Bar-When I had opened it again on the fol- bara Bradford!"

"That's it, is it?" he commented, givowing Saturday the pearls were gone. "Of course you told the police at ing me a quizzical glance from under his bushy white eyebrows.

"I wouldn't for all the world," I con-I explained to him why I had not done so, and my reason seemed to tinued, "have her mixed up in this. Her sister is to be married tomorrow, "Go on with your story," he calmly and the scandal might stop the weddirected. He seemed to have himself ding; and besides I'm not going to well in hand again. After the first have it known that she was there shock at hearing of the loss of the alone with me that night in my rooms. pearls he showed no sign of emotion I love her too well for that. Some day I am going to ask her to be my wife." He listened incently as I told him of

He raised his eyebrows. "And on what do you expect to mar-

Bradford when I had learned that the ry?" he inquired. "Of course I have said nothing as too, and the papers abstracted con- yet," I hastened to explain; "I've noth-

"No," he agreed, "you've nothing to slightly when I told him of the anony- offer her"-and then with a meaning ous notes found on the floor in glance he added a little word that in spite of my predicament made my heart sing with joy and stirred my expectations mightily-"you've nothing

"But cheer up," he advised as a parting word of counsel, "I'll get in touch with Gorman and your lawyer as soon as I leave here today, and tomorrow "I'm glad to know that others have we will find out about that secret pasheard them besides myself. When a sage you think you have discovered." Compunction that I ever had doubtplay him strange pranks. The whis- ed the integrity of his purpose toward

the hallucinations of old age. Now my gratitude to him, to let him know how much I appreciated his coming at once to my aid, but the only thing I "And," I observed, "I believe, I am could think of slipped from my lips: "I am sorry about the pearls." "So am I," he answered grimly, and

went his way. One thing now I certainly was sure at discovering that his brain was still of-his was not the master-mind that dependable. It was as if a burden had had planned all the criminal deeds, but the mystery of the Granddeck was Here was my opportunity. Gorman still as much of a mystery as ever.

CHAPTER XII.

It was the second day after this-Gorman to have investigated the walls | the day set for Claire Bradford's wedof the Granddeck, even if he had ding-that in the morning, much earplaced any credence in my story. With Her than customary, Gorman came to

would have every right and oppor- expected return to the city and his tunity to explore and verify my state- generous and convincing offers of aid ments. I told him how, while specu- had filled me with new hopes. I lating as to the origin of the whispers, trusted, too, that old Rufus' keen eyes I had observed the discrepancy in the quickly would discover the secret pasmeasurements of the apartment and sageway now that I had indicated to had verified my deduction that there him where to look for it. I was confiwas space enough for a passageway dently expecting that the resulting debig enough for a man to traverse in velopments quickly would free me the wall between the room I had oc- from even the suspicion of being a cupied and the long hall. He listened murderer. The minute, however, that intently as I described the plan of the I laid eyes on Gorman I knew that "What is it?" I cried. "What's the

umphantly, "Barbara Bradford and I "You're a wonderful liar, you are," had just discovered an opening into it was his surly greeting, "with your pipe | there is a thrill in it. But it has one | lieve that it will be celebrated by suc- At 1 o'clock the yards being properly

were crooks I would wash my hands of the whole affair."

"I don't understand," I answered in- July 4 was fixed upon as "the day we dignantly, "Every statement I have made to you has been the absolute truth."

"Yes, it has!" he sneered. Ordinarily I would have resented anyone talking to me in this manner, but I felt that under no circumstances could I afford to quarrel with Gorman. He was the only friend I had in the whole city that I could rely on, ex-

"I tell you it is all true-every word

"The old man's home-old Rufus," he responded irrelevantly.

"I know," I replied. "I saw him for a few minutes day before yesterday. He promised to do everything in his were inspecting it when we heard the power to free me as speedily as posshot in the apartment below. I closed sible. After talking with him I am the panel and ran downstairs and have | confident that he had nothing whathad no opportunity since to investi- ever to do with any part of the plot.

there, I am convinced that it was the "Yes," said Gorman, significantly, sound of voices there that made the "I've seen him. He looked me up yeswhispers. I suspect it was used by terday and we went over the case towhoever left the anonymous notes in gether. He suggested that we go up the room, and that the person or per- to the Granddeck and look over the sons who looted the safes entered and apartment, and we did. The minute escaped by that means. I would not we got in he went to the wall safe and

Gorman stopped short and looked "Go on," I cried, "what did you

find?"

What could I say? I knew as positively as I knew that put away my money there had been had taken it out and had examined its contents again. With the aid of a lighted match I had explored every corner of the steel-lined receptacle. The box containing the pearls and the collection was gone. Now the pearls were safely back there again. How

There was not the slightest reason

for even a moment's consideration.



of the Liberty Bell in Independence gress postponed final consideration for Hall had been in the steeple. He had 3 weeks. June 11, congress appointed placed his little grandson at the door a committee of five to draw up the to give him the word when the an- Declaration of Independence. nouncement should be made. As hour would naturally have been made chairman, but he had been called home by ment came the old man shook his head the illness of his wife. Thomas Jefferand said sadly, "They will never do son of Virginia was made chairman and his colleagues were John Adams Suddenly a shout came up from be- of Massachusetts, Benjamin Franklin low and there stood the little blue- of Pennsylvania, Roger Sherman of eyed lad clapping his hands for joy Connecticut and Robert L. Livingston and shouting, "Ring, grandfather, of New York. The committee instructed Jefferson to write out a draft So the old grandslre swung the big of the Declaration. Jefferson did so.

after hour passed by and no announce-

ring!

joicing in the city.

July celebration was held.

Carolina, in May, 1775, was one of the

earliest manifestations of the frend of

Sense" appeared and gave the move-

resolution which reads:

iron tongue and the Liberty Bell, The committee made some changes clanging 100 times, sent its brazen and Jefferson then made a clean copy. notes throughout the land proclaiming | Congress reassembled July 1, and the | of America, was celebrated in this that the United Colonies were and of Lee resolution was passed July 2. city with demonstrations of joy and in Oregon, composed of 25 farm- the association, is sold under the orright ought to be free and inedepend- How this action was then regarded is festivity. ent, and there was a tumult of re- shown by John Adams' letter to his wife, in which he said:

This in effect is the first Fourth of "The second day of July, 1776, will July, as many an American schoolboy be the most memorable epoch in the has been taught it. It reads well and history of America. I am apt to be-Meanwhile he had been studying me.

by pushing the wall panel in my room dreams about secret passageways and large fault—it isn't true. As a matter ceeding generation as the great anni
of fact there wasn't any real "Fourth" versary festival. It ought to be comthe Declaration of Independence was Almighty. It ought to be solemnized "You almost had me believing you," a continuing operation that lasted with pomp and parade, with shows, tion was July 2, instead of July 4. tinent to the other, from this time Moreover, it was not until 1777 that forward forevermore."

Jefferson then presented the report celebrate." And it was in 1777 in of the Declaration committee, the docu-Philadelphia that the first Fourth of ment now known as the Declaration of Independence. It was adopted the To get the history of the Declara- afternoon of July 4. John Hancock, tion of Independence straight, we must as president of the congress, affixed start with the fact that the American his signature. Charles Thompson Revolution was not begun for the countersigned as secretary. It was achievement of independence. The then printed and sent off to the sev-American colonists began with the idea eral colonies. July 15, the clerk was of securing the right guaranteed them instructed to prepare the document for cepting of course my great-uncle. I as Englishmen by Magna Charta, the signatures. Properly engrossed, it was contented myself with merely reassert- Bill of Rights, and their own charters. signed by all who were present-50 The idea of separation and independmembers. Others signed in Septemence was an afterthought and an out- ber and one member, Colonel McKean, growth of the hostilities faced by the did not sign until 1781. Seven mem-British at Lexington and Concord. | bers, for one reason or another, never

The historic declaration of the citi- did sign it. zens of Mecklenburg county, North Pennsylvania, being the first colony to receive its Declaration of Independence, was the first formally to public opinion. In January of 1776, Thomas Paine's pamphlet "Common July 8, a general election day in Penn- Hessian band. The glorious Fourth ment a tremendous impetus. June 7, crowd of about 1,000 gathered near accompanied with triple discharges of 1776, Richard Henry Lee, under instructions from Virginia, presented to ical society seven years before the continental congress his famous from which Rittenhouse observed the transit of Venus. Mounted upon this, "Resolved, That these United Colonies are and of right ought to be, free ment in his big voice and winsome absolved from all allegiance to the of the Norris homestead, which was and the general officers. British Crown, and that all political upon the present site of the customs take the most effectual measures for were present." This was not remark- city was beautifully illuminated. able, for Philadelphia's wealthy class pective colonies for their considera- ward Biddle, Thomas Willing and the versal. others expressed its sentiments ac-Here, in fact, was the Declaration curately when they voted against the

of independence in a nutshell. June Lee resolution. various reasons the delegates were not 'arms from the state house. The bell amen."

house on any matter in which science render the consuls to the enemy. Thus,

The Philadelphia Fourth of July celebration of 1777 was a public demonstration, planned in advance. Fortunately we have a short contemporary account of what took place. The

Christ church bell keeping it company

and the funny old guns of the Associa-

tion battery down at Old Swedes'

church, roared out their salute.

Pennsylvania Gazette, published weekly by John Dunlap, tells in its issue of July 9, 1777, of this first of a long line of Independence day celebrations. Here is the full account:

"Friday, the fourth instant, being the anniversary of the independence

"About noon, all the armed ships United States and streamers displayed. \$1,954,039, with additional receipts for decided advantage in the markets. manned, they began the celebration butter, \$2,506. With the estimated principle has been tried out with proof fact there wasn't any real "Fourth versary festival. It ought to be com- of the day by a discharge of thirteen sales from miscellaneous sources nounced success, notably in fruit and "What do you mean?" I replied. I of July Celebration" at all in 1776. memorated as the day of deliverence cannon from each of the galleys in amounting to \$18,635, the total for the vegetable marketing associations, had not the least idea what he was There couldn't be, for the reason that by solemn acts of devotion to God honor of the thirteen United States, year was \$2,007,475. was prepared for congress, to which 1909, this organization handled 32. proved the value of co-operative purhe said savagely. "If it wasn't that I pretty much the whole summer of games, sports, bells, bonfires, and ilknew that Wick and that girl up there that year. Incidentally, its culmina- lumination from one end of this conof the assembly of this state, the gen- 3386,135, showing that the total sales write for information to the bureau tinental boards who were in town.

"The Hessian band of music taken | Thus far the production for 1920 is study of the subject. in Trenton the twenty-sixth of December last attended and heightened the festivity with some fine perform- CEREALS FOR BREAD SUPPLY | மூல்கம்கம் மடிம் ம ances suited to the joyous occasion. while a corps of British deserters Corn, Wheat and Buckwheat, Staple taken into the service of the Continent by the State of Georgia, being drawn up before the door, filled up

the intervals with feux de jole. "After dinner a number of tonsts were drunk, all breathing independence and a genuine love of liberty and buckwheat, are raised nearly everyrighteons cause of their country.

"Each toast was followed by a discharge of artillery and small arms make public the action of congress. and a suitable piece of music by the sylvania, was chosen as the time. A of July was reiterated three times, cannon and small arms.

"Toward evening several troops of horse and corps of artillery and a brigade of North Carolina forces which Colonel John Nixon read the docu- was in town on its way to join the grand army were drawn up in Secand independent states; that they are Deborah Logan, leaning over the wall ond street and reviewed by congress

"The evening was closed with the connection between them and the house, heard him quite plainly. Both ringing of bells and at night there state of Great Britain is and ought she and Charles Biddle, writing of the was a grand exhibition of fireworks, scene in their diaries, make the com- which began and concluded with thir-"That it is expedient forthwith to ment that "few respectable persons teen rockets on the common, and the "Everything was conducted with the "That a plan of confederation be of that day was outright Tory in its greatest order and decorum and the

prepared and transmitted to the res- sympathy and John Dickinson, Ed- face of joy and gladness was uni-

"Thus may the Fourth of July, that glorious and ever-memorable day, be celebrated through America by the umphantly. "And the pearls were 8, congress went unto a committee of After the reading the crowd gave hosts of freedom from age to age till there as safe as when the old man whole to consider the resolution. For three huzzas and took down the king's time shall be no more. Amen and

"Scientific" Legislators trallan parliament, who should have if the senate and people failed to ratthe right to be heard at the bar of the lify, the correct practice was to sur-

For lack of technical knowledge, leg- plays a part. They would devote their according to Cicero (De Officiis III., islators are sometimes guilty of pass- whole time to this work and be paid 30) Titus Veturius and Spurius Posing measures that are soon found open such salaries as would attract men of tumius were delivered up to the Samto severe criticism and sometimes fall the highest talents. to accomplish the end which was intended and desired. To overcome this condition an Australian doctor has Roman Way With Peace Negotiators. who had negotiated a peace treaty come to the fore with a scientific first | In the brave days of the early Ro- with the Numantini which the senate aid for legislators. He suggests that man republic the consuls might in- failed to ratify, was on his own motion "royal commissioners of science" be deed negotiate and sign treaties of surrendered to the enemy.-New Reappointed in each house of the Aus- peace on their own responsibility. But public,

Accidental French.

An American lady in Paris wanted

some water, but could not make the

maid understand she wanted it hot.

to Heavy Taxes Levied to Pay

Army of Employees.

Vienna.-One-fifth of the population

of Austria, 1,200,000 members of fam-

To dream of land is a sign you will sorrow and melancholy.-Chicago Her-

I planted with vegetables, it is a sign of afflictions in the same degree. If you dream of black land, it signifies

nites, with whom they had negotiated

an unsatisfactory peace. And on a

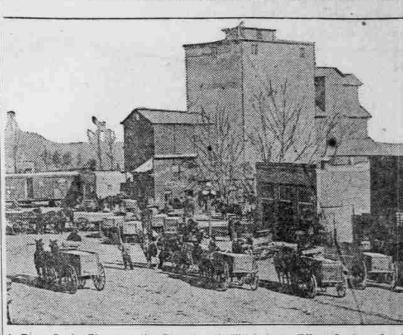
much later occasion Calus Mancinus,

The Oligarchy of Art.

"Ten thousand francs for that old dered, that subconsciously, burdened returned with a pitcher of hot water. your dreams. If the land is improved picture? . . . I could understand "Tut, tut, tut," he exclaimed. "Just with the responsibility of the custody it was not until some time afterward with gardens, houses, arbors and so it, of course, if you were offering a when I arrived home at the apartment and I decided to put it in the wall in a big city. You never know what in my sleep and in a somnolent state in a big city. You never know what

Austria has only 6,000,000 populaernment salary supports a family of

ARMERS LEARNING BENEFIT OF CO-OPERATIVE MARKETING



A Busy Grain Elevator, the Purpose of Which Is to Effect Savings for Its Members Because It Is a Co-operative Institution.

ment of Agriculture.) "See that bunch of horses over yon- Four factors have played an essenler?" asked the farmer, indicating six tial part in making this co-operative or seven animals which were impa- achievement possible, and they apply iently crowding against a fence in an very generally to co-operative marketendeavor to nibble some corn growing ing of farm products. First, the farmjust beyond the reach of their out- ers were brought to clearly recognize stretched noses. "There's a marketing the needs for united effort in solving esson in what those horses are doing. their marketing difficulties. Second, If they only knew it a little pushing there was available in their communin unison would lay that fence flat, but ties a volume of business sufficient to the trouble is they don't understand, make co-operation worth while. Third, and so they won't push together."

Then, after a pause: "Human folks ers met the need by adopting and enare a bit like those horses. A lot forcing standards for their dairy prodof them don't know how to push- ucts. This has improved the quality and pull-in unison. Think of the of the output, and has produced unimutilized power those animals have, formity, thus making possible the efand think of the infinitely greater pow- fective use of a brand and of adverer we intelligent humans have, when tising on a large scale. Fourth, the we learn to co-operate. That's the association has employed efficient sales word: Co-operation! A good many methods. 'armers have learned its big advaninges, but their number is still small beside the millions who might benefit from it.

Creamery association, for example," association engaged an inspector and continued the farmer. "That's a wonlerful organization which has set a the cheese making of the member facot of people to thinking; and the tories. From the start this inspector peauty of it is, their achievements are has made regular visits to each plant, getting bigger every year."

Recent Figures From Tillamook. turned toward co-operative marketing times over. by reading a recent report from Tillaer factories which co-operate in the ganization's brand. This brand has sale of their products. The report become known in nearly every market and galleys in the river were drawn of the secretary-manager for 1919 in on the Pacific coast, and the reputaup before the city, dressed in the gay- licates that the total sales of cheese tion which has been built up for this est manner, with the colors of the from these 25 factories amounted to association's cheese gives that body a whey cream of \$32,305 and for whey

"In the afternoon an elegant dinner | In the first year of its existence, erative creameries. Farmers have also eral officers and colonels of the army almost quadrupled in ten years. The of markets, United States department and the members of the several con- sales for the entire decade reached of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.,

Prepared by the United States Depart- running 23 per cent ahead of 1919, and 1919 was 20 per cent over 1918. given these two conditions, the farm-

Standardization Essential.

The difficulty of pooling the output of several cheese factories in Tillamook county lay in the absence of standardization. In consequence, the giving suggestions and assistance when needed. The money spent in his sal-This farmer's thoughts had been ary has repaid the association many

The cheese is inspected, and if found nook County Creamery association to conform to the standard set up by

In many other lines the co-operative grain elevator companies, and co-oppounds of cheese, and its sales totaled erative marketing or purchasing should the astonishing total of \$8,612,000. whose experts have made a careful

Breadstuffs, Are Raised Nearly Everywhere.

Prepared by the United States Depart ment of Agriculture.) Cereals, such as corn, wheat, and commemorating the memories of those where throughout the United States. brave and worthy patriots who gal- These grains are staple breadstuffs, lantly exposed their lives and fell glori- but the general practice of farmers is ously in defense of freedom and the to buy flour and meal rather than grind or have their own grain ground

Cornfield on Government Farm at

Beltsville, Md.

usually less than 100 pounds per fam-

ily. Most farm families use home-

ers who drive through the country.

Buying Tractor for Farm.

Lead Arsenate Best Spray.

tandard poison insecticide today.

First Stap With Clover.

Among all the various compounds

Do not make the mistake of buying

baked bread, though in some cases

own flour and meal.

uy a bigger one.

is acid or sour.

SCRUBS

A scrub is an animal of mixed or unknown breeding, without definite type or markings. Such terms as native, mongrel, razorback, dunghill, piney woods, cayuse, broncho and mustang are somewhat synonymous with "scrub," although many of the animals described by these terms have certain fixity of type even though they present no evidence of systematic improved breed-

****** ECONOMICAL FEED OF HERDS

Reduction in Acreage of Alfalfa and Clover Means Big Loss to Dairy Farmers.

A reduction in the acreage of clover and alfalfa will mean a big loss to dairy farmers as clover, alfalfa, and soy beans are important factors in the economical feeding of dairy herds. If legume acreage is reduced, profits for many herds will become losses. For farmers to fall to sow a sufficient amount of these crops because of prevailing high prices for seed would be a great mistake.

GOOD BUSINESS PROPOSITION

No More Do We Look Upon Selection of Seed Corn as Fad-Now Thoroughly Approved.

Time was when the selection of seed corn on the farm was looked unon somewhat as a fad. Sentiment. though, has changed until today we have come to consider the field selection of seed corn as a thoroughly approved business proposition.

KILL WEEDS BY CULTIVATING

Those Just Germinating or That Have for home use. In certain sections Not Yet Obtained Strong Root where custom grist mills are found, hold Easy to Destroy. farmers still have some grain ground

into flour and meal for home use. Oc-Weeds that are just germinating casionally a farmer is found who has or that have not yet obtained a good his own little mill and who makes his roothold on the soil are very easily killed by light cultivations such as about 6 barrels of flour in a year. In can be accomplished with the harrow The average farm family consumes the South, the average annual con- or the weeder.

sumption of corn meal is about 500 Destroying Dandellons. pounds per family and in the North It has been found that if the dandeabout 50 pounds. The consumption liens are dug an inch or more below of buckwheat and rice is low, except in areas where these crops are gen- the crown they will not bloom and go

erally grown, and even there it is to seed again during the season. Many thousands of dollars are lost the farmers buy their bread from bak- every year through rust and neglect

of farm machinery. Melons for Family Use. Ten hills of Rocky Ford muskmelons, too sman a tractor. Nine out of ten spaced five feet apart will generally farmers wno buy their second tractor supply muskmelons for the average

family. Ground for Sudan Grass. Sudan grass should be seeded on ad arsenate still leads as the one ground that has been plowed and work-

ed into good condition. Rotate Vegetable Crops The time has come when the rota-

The first step in growing clover sucas necessary as rotating farm crops.

had been looted." pearls! I nodded.

forts to learn the reason,

"Everything. The casket with the trinkets was undisturbed." "Good beavens!" he exclaimed. "My cleared up, it can make no difference

to be totally dissolved; "We found," he said, speaking slowly and putting special emphasis on his "It sounds improbable-too much third word, "two jewel boxes there, forming foreign alliances; like a romance. They do not build the one with the pearls and the other "What," I cried, aghast at this invaluable, and besides, all plans have credible bit of news, "two jewel tion and opprobation."

"Sure we did," he announced triwent away. Now what have you got

I was allve that on that Saturday when I had opened the wall safe to but one of the lewel boxes there. I rest of the valuables in the Gaston

for me to believe that Gorman was lying to me now. I had found him in all our dealings straightforward and candid. If he said he had seen great-"The day I was discharged," I went hear that at least two of the trusted uncle Rufus find the pearls there it After several valu attempts, she exon, "I had drawn out from the savings attendants at the Granddeck, Wick must be so, but how could they have plained in disgust: "Sho!" The maid ness and profit will be in proportion bank all my money with the purpose and the telephone girl, were of the got there? Could it be possible, I wonsafe, to which, you recall, you had sort of people there are about you, removed the pearls to some other hid- "Sho!" for "chaud," which is the is planted with grain, it foreight tory oil wasn't worth more than described to the pearls to some other hid-

> "Please don't," I cried. "Gorman If I had done that in my sleep pearls and had restored them in the pal government employees, are sup-

> > (TO BE CONTINUED.)

What Dreams Mean

travel; to dream of owning it, prom- ald and Examiner.

TOO MANY CIVIL SERVANTS | between the cabinet, council and em- ure as too low and declared that if the ployees of the central government for various liquidation commissions and a general increase in salaries and al- other positions created under afterlowances, the topheaviness of the Austrian governmental machine was re- sideration it would be shown that venled. Foreign observers and investigators having to do with the peace ernment employees.

war conditions were taken into conthere are not far from 300,000 gov-

settlement have repeatedly commented

on the extravagant number of civil | tion, and it is estimated that each govilies of central, provincial and munici- servants employed in all departments. Doctor Relsch admitted in the dis- four. The newspapers generally are pearls was gone. The other with the nothing for the present. As I won't structed them. I suggested this theory ported by the taxpayers, according cussions that the civil list numbered uniting in a demand that the civil list to the paper, New Eight O'Clock. In | 220,000 persons. The New Eight | be reduced by the immediate dismissal | cessfully is to determine if your soil tion of vegetable crop the negotiations recently concluded o'Clock, however, challenged that fig. of 10 per cent.